

Minutes
Human Services and Health Board Meeting
Wednesday April 7, 2021-6:00 pm
Dodge County Administrative Building
Auditorium Rooms H & I
127 East Oak St, Juneau, WI 53039

1. Call to Order by Chairperson Mary Bobholz at 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call and Non-Committee Member County Board Attendance

Board Present: Mary Bobholz, Jennifer Keyes, Tim Kemmel, Donald Hilgendorf, and Jenifer Hedrick (telephonic), Kira Sheahan-Malloy, David Godshall (telephonic), Lois Augustson (telephonic)

Absent/Excused: Naomi Kriewald

Staff Present: Director Becky Bell, Division Manager Angela Petruske, Account Clerk Felicia Faust, County Administrator Jim Mielke, Social Worker Jim Wiersma, Social Worker Megan Terbeest

Staff Present via Teams Meeting: Division Manager Sheila Drays, Division Manager Alyssa Schultz, Dave Ehlinger Finance Director, Public Health Officer Abby Sauer

Others Present:

3. Public Comment: NA
4. Approval of the minutes of the March 3, 2021 Board meeting
Motion by Tim Kemmel to approve the February 3, 2021 Board minutes. Seconded by Donald Hilgendorf.
Motion carried.

5. DIRECTORS REPORT – Ms. Bell

A. Utilization of Fund Balance in the Human Services and Health Department Budget for Retirement Payouts. Ms. Bell informed about this resolution going to the Finance Committee and County Board. Mr. Ehlinger was in attendance to present information and answer questions about the resolution. Mr. Ehlinger shared that when we adopted the 2020 budget, \$40,000 went into the Human Services budget for retirement. At year end, \$65,000 was needed. This was mistakenly omitted in the development of the 2021 budget. Mr. Ehlinger informed that the resolution is to request \$70,000 for the 2021 budget, noting there is currently \$330,000 set aside for this purpose.

B. Amend 2020 Dodge County Budget and Authorize Additional Expenditures For the Dodge County Human Services and Health Department. Ms. Bell informed about this resolution going to Finance Committee and County Board. Mr. Ehlinger informed that at the end of 2020, the Human Services Department ended with a deficit of \$136,000. Of the \$136,000, \$40,000 has already been authorized for retirement. Mr. Ehlinger stated \$96,000 would need to come out of Human Services and Health fund balance.

C. Discussion: WCA Human Services Day at the Capital
Ms. Bell reported to the board that a phone call to the legislatures is rescheduled for April 15th. The county will be discussing issues that include child welfare and youth justice. Ms. Bell reported that we will be requesting an increase in expenditures for child welfare and placements with the hopes of at least maintaining the funds that the county currently receives.

D. Discussion: Greater Watertown Community Health Foundation Funding

Ms. Bell informed the board that the Greater Watertown Community Health Foundation Funding (GWCHFF) has provided a grant to extend over two years. A request was made to GWCHF for a psychiatric therapist to provide substance use disorder treatment. Ms. Bell also informed the board that another grant was received for a therapist for in school counseling services for Hustisford, Dodge, and Watertown.

6. FISCAL & SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT – Ms. Petruske

- A. Review 2020 expenditures & revenues
- B. Review 2021 expenditures & revenues
- C. Budget adjustment form

7. COVID 19 Update – Abby Sauer, Public Health Officer

Public Health Officer, Abby Sauer, reported the COVID19 numbers as of today to the Board which were, total confirmed cases 11,596 including Department of Corrections, total community positives 9,262, active community cases 57, recovered 9,062 and total death are 182. Ms. Sauer also reported that the positive per day numbers are trending downward and as well as seeing a decrease in hospitalizations. Ms. Sauer also reported the testing has declined, with less than 100 people per week being tested over the last 4 weeks. Ms. Sauer informed the Board that the Department is receiving an increase in doses and the current vaccine statistics for the department are as follows; 826 people were vaccinated in January, 1,903 people were vaccinated in February, and 4,057 people were vaccinated in March. As of April 7th, 17.65% of Dodge County has completed the 2nd vaccine. Ms. Sauer informed the Board that the vaccination clinic is still Wednesday – Friday, and every Tuesday is a mobile vaccine clinic. At this time, all Dodge County school staff have had the opportunity to get vaccinated.

8. COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT-Ms. Drays

- A. Statistics for February
- B. Dining center comments

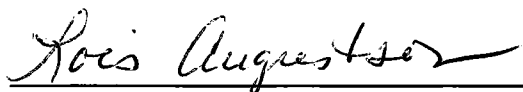
9. CLINICAL & FAMILY SERVICES REPORT-Ms. Schultz

- A. Statistics for February
- B. Out of home costs
- C. January report/expenses from Northwest Connections-After Hours Crisis
- D. Presentation regarding Foster Care – Jim Wiersma

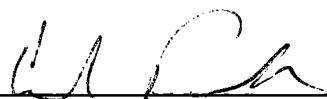
Mr. Wiersma informed the board that there is a great need for foster care in Dodge County. He explained the licensing process and statistics of Dodge County foster care.

10. Next Meeting will be May 5, 2021 at 6:00pm

11. Adjourned at 7:49 p.m.



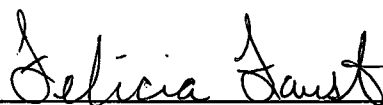
Lois Augustson, **Secretary**



Angela Petruske, **Recording Secretary**



Mary Bobholz, **Chairperson**



Felicia Faust, **Recording Secretary**